

BOND REIMBURSEMENT & GRANT REVIEW COMMITTEE

December 3, 2014

1st Floor Conference Room #106 – Atwood Building

Anchorage, AK

Approved Minutes

Committee Members Present

Elizabeth Nudelman
Doug Crevensten
Mary Cary
Mark Langberg (via phone)
Robert “Bob” Tucker
Carl John
Dean Henrick

Staff

Kimberly Andrews
Courtney Preziosi
Mike Gaede

Additional Participants

Dave Norum (FNSBSD)
Don Hiley (SERRC)
Larry Morris (FNSBSD)
Dale Smythe (Stantech)
Sam Kito III

Call to Order and Roll Call at 8:51am

Elizabeth Nudelman, chair, called the meeting to order at 8:51am. Roll call was completed, Sen. Dunleavy was absent, all other members were present and a quorum was established.

Review and Approval of Agenda

The agenda was reviewed and approved.

Review and Approval of Minutes

The minutes were approved as submitted.

Public Comment

Dale Smythe, Stantech (formerly USKH) presented comments regarding school space guidelines found in regulation 4 AAC 31.020(e). The primary concern is the current requirement that space is measured from the exterior wall. A secondary element is the consideration of mechanical equipment space.

The committee and other members of the public discussed the comments:

Carl noted that accommodating storage space in rural schools, where items are ordered in bulk, is a challenge.

Kim asked Dale to clarify how he proposes to measure space. Dale responded that measuring academic space should only go to the sheet rock.

Larry Morris, FNSBSD, and Dave Norum, FNSBSD, noted that their most recent building upgrade specified R60 (2x18 walls) and the extra foot penalized the amount of classroom space available due to the exterior wall measurement requirement.

Mary mentioned budgetary concerns relating to increasing allowable space. In addition, she noted that issues of educational delivery need to be considered.

Bob and Mark would like to see the committee look at the space guidelines. Bob acknowledged that, based on the previous time the space guidelines were revised, this would be an involved process.

Elizabeth welcomed emails to be sent to her, which could then start a bullet list of questions for consideration regarding the department's space guidelines.

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CEFPI Presentation Preparation

The committee walked through the FY17 CIP Application Power Point that will be presented at CEFPI by the Bond Reimbursement and Grant Review Committee Meeting sub-committee and made the necessary changes.

LUNCH

CEFPI Presentation Preparation Continued

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Department Briefing

Kim summarized the department briefing beginning with the Preventive Maintenance update. The department has conducted site visits at Kodiak and Kashunamiut school districts; 10 more sites are due to be visited in the current fiscal year. Three districts currently do not have a certified PM program.

Kim provided an update on SB237 Debt Reimbursement funding. Since the September meeting, two Haines debt applications were approved by voters.

Kim reviewed the FY2016 initial priority lists and CIP application statistics, the list of facilities publications, and provided a staffing update. DEED is actively seeking to fill the Technical Engineer/Architect I (Facilities Manager) position.

Prototypical Design Study

Mike Gaede, DEED project coordinator, provided a brief report on the Prototypical Design Study. House Bill 278, section 53, requires DEED to submit a report to the legislature by June

15, 2015 on the benefits and disadvantages of using prototypical designs for school construction in both the Railbelt and rural areas of the state. In response to an RFP, Nvision Architecture, Inc. and DeJong-Richter, as a joint venture, were awarded the contract to produce the report.

Appendix D “Type of Space Added or Improved” (BR&GR subcommittee)

Doug and Mary presented information regarding CIP Application Instructions Appendix D: “Type of Space Added or Improved.” Some revisions were suggested such as removing examples of space that are no longer commonly found in schools and reassigning examples to different categories.

The committee discussed some of the issues regarding the ramifications of changing the type of space category designations. Bob questioned whether or not the changes would affect CIP scoring. Doug noted that was not the intent; clarification and updating is the goal. Doug proposed that he and Mary will work on preparing an Appendix D that reflects updated terminology.

Next Meeting Date

Since the FY17 application was approved in September, a spring meeting is not anticipated.

CLOSING COMMENTS

Carl thanked everyone for helping him work through the CEFPI presentation and appreciated everyone’s help. Doug thanked Carl for working on the initial slides and giving the subcommittee an excellent starting point. Bob thanked DEED staff for all the work that’s been done on the application and all of the work that goes into the BRGR committee meetings.

MEETING ADJOURNED